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## *Regional Outreach*



### **Secretary Elaine L. Chao meets with the Regional Administrators of the Women's Bureau**

As you can see from the preceding articles, the Women's Bureau is engaged in a number of demonstration initiatives over the coming fiscal year, some of them in your region. In addition to releasing "How To" manuals for the Women with Disabilities Entrepreneur and GEM-SET projects during FY 2004, Women's Bureau (WB) Regional Administrators (RA) are busy implementing a number of demonstration projects that will start in the fall and early winter. Four of the projects capitalize on lessons learned during three years of GEM-SET.

#### **Project Description**

A financial security and retirement savings project "[Las Mujeres y el Dinero](#)" "[Women and Money](#)" will provide workshops and conferences during the next year in each of ten regions. The kickoff event is scheduled for Phoenix, Arizona on October 23rd. For more information on the Hispanic Literacy project, contact Jenny Erwin in the Region IX office, and for the agenda for the kickoff event at [www.hispanicwomen.org](http://www.hispanicwomen.org).

The second project stems from "lessons learned" in GEM-SET and relates to the unique situation of young women in immigrant families. [GEM-SET III](#) is led by Nancy Chun of the Region V Chicago office and will serve primarily Hispanic and Asian immigrant women in 5 regions. Please contact Region V or the web site at [www.GEM-SET.org](http://www.GEM-SET.org).

The third demonstration project, [GEM-Nursing](#) seeks to encourage young women and men in six regions to consider nursing as a profession. For more information call Jacqueline Cooke in Region I or Mary Murphree in Region II, or visit the website at: [www.gem-nursing.org](http://www.gem-nursing.org).

Another financial security and retirement savings project that is accessible via the web and at six learning institutions in six of our regions is called "**WIS\$E UP**" and is designed to appeal to twenty to thirty year old women. For more information, call Beverly Lyle in Region VI.

**Workplace Flexibility** strategies are being addressed in six regions through a Corporate Mentor-Women Business Owner collaboration using a combination of real time and virtual conferences. Contact Karen Furia and the Region X staff for more information.

The **Employer-Driven Older Worker Program** will reach out to older Hispanic and Asian American women through basic computer and life skills training. Upon graduation, these women could apply for entry-level career ladder positions with CVS. Contact Beverly Lyle in Region VI and/or Nancy Chen in Region V for more information.

The **Women with Disabilities Entrepreneurship Project**, will reach 40 disabled women in 4 regions. This project is currently in its second year. Contact Delores Crockett in Region IV for additional information.

Another project is operated by Non-traditional Employment for Women (NEW). project recruits and prepares women for work in the construction trades at **Ground Zero**. It attracts employed women who want to enter the trades and provides pre-apprenticeship training at night and on Saturdays. Contact Mary Murphree in Region II for more information.

We encourage you to look at the chart below and see which initiatives are relevant to you. You can contact the Regional office in your area for more information.

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<b>Major Women's Bureau 2004 Projects</b>								
<b>Region</b>	<b>Las Mujeres y el Dinero</b>	<b>GEM-SET III</b>	<b>GEM-Nursing</b>	<b>WIS\$E UP</b>	<b>Workplace Flexibility</b>	<b>Employer Driven Older Worker</b>	<b>Women with Disabilities Entrepreneurships</b>	<b>Ground Zero</b>
I	X		X	X				
II	X	X	X		X			X
III	X		X					
IV	X	X	X	X			X	
V	X	X	X		X	X		
VI	X	X		X	X	X	X	
VII	X		X	X			X	
VIII	X			X	X		X	
IX	X	X			X			
X	X			X	X			

**Regional phone numbers are listed below:**

<b>I BOSTON</b>	<b>617-565-1988</b>
<b>II NEW YORK</b>	<b>212-337-2389</b>
<b>III PHILADELPHIA</b>	<b>215-861-4860</b>
<b>IV ATLANTA</b>	<b>404-562-2336</b>
<b>V CHICAGO</b>	<b>312-353-6985</b>
<b>VI DALLAS</b>	<b>214-767-6985</b>
<b>VII KANSAS CITY</b>	<b>816-426-6108</b>

**VIII DENVER**

**303-844-1286**

**IX SAN FRANCISCO**

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